

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 1:03 PM

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We respectfully acknowledge that the SFSS is located on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the x^wməθk^wəy̓ əm (Musqueam), Sḵw̓x̓ wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Sel̓ íl wítulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wəł̓ əm (Kwkwetlem) and q̓ícə y̓ (Katzie) Nations. Unceded means that these territories have never been handed over, sold, or given up by these nations, and we are currently situated on occupied territories.

3. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

3.1 Board Composition

President (<i>Chair</i>)	Osob Mohamed
VP External Relations	Samad Raza
VP Finance	Corbett Gildersleve
VP Student Services	Matthew Provost
VP Student Life	Jennifer Chou
VP University Relations	Gabe Liosis
At-Large Representative	Balqees Jama
At-Large Representative	Phum Luckkid
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences)	Harry Preet Singh
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences)	Sude Guvendik
Faculty Representative (Business)	Mehtaab Gill
Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology)	Haider Masood
Faculty Representative (Education)	Emerly Liu
Faculty Representative (Environment)	Anuki Karunajeewa
Faculty Representative (Health Sciences)	Nafoni Modi
Faculty Representative (Science)	WeiChun Kua

3.2 Society Staff

Campaign, Research, and Policy Coordinator	Sarah Edmunds
Transition Manager	Lawrence Jones
Communication Coordinator	Sindhu Dharmarajah

3.3 Guests

Peak News Writer	Mahdi Dlalden
Software Systems Council Representative	Mahek Khan
Council Liaison	Ryan Vansickle
Associate Director at SFU Sustainability Office	Kayla Blok

3.4 Regrets

Faculty Representative (Business)	Mehtaab Gill
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences)	Harry Preet Singh
Faculty Representative (Health Sciences)	Nafoni Modi

4. RATIFICATIONS OF REGRETS

4.1 MOTION BOD 2020-10-16:01

Corbett/Gabe

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Mehtaab Gill.

CARRIED

In favour (7): Osob Mohamed, Balqees Jama, Phum Luckkid, Sude Guvendik, Haider Masood Emerly Liu, Anuki Karunajeewa

Against (4): Corbett Gildersleve, Gabe Liosis, WeiChun Kua, and Matthew Provost

Abstain (2): Jennifer Chou, and Samad Raza

- VP Finance has reminded Faculty Representative (Business) to submit his work plan report. There was a final reminder yesterday to submit it before the Board meeting today, but it has not been submitted.
- President and Faculty Representative (Science) has also helped by telling him what to include and sent reminders as well.

4.2 MOTION BOD 2020-10-16:02

Matthew/Haider

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Harry Preet Singh and Nafoni Modi.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Both were emergency situations.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION BOD 2020-10-16:03

Osob/Gabe

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Add 9.1 Discussion Items Black & Indigenous Student Advocacy.
- Add Presentation from SFU Sustainability Office.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 University and Academic Affairs Committee Minutes-MOTION BOD 2020-10-16:04

Gabe/WeiChun

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minute(s):

- 2020-07-14 UAA

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 EVENTS Committee Minutes-MOTION BOD 2020-10-16:05

Jennifer/Matthew

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minute(s):

- 2020-08-14 EVENTS

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

7.1 Events Committee

- Please follow the Instagram if you haven't already and promote the events coming up including a Modern Family Trivia Night (10/16), Mental Health Monday Stress Management Event with HCS (10/19), Tidy Tuesday (10/19), Apple Pie Food Workshop (10/21), and a Vegan Salted Caramel Cookie Workshop (10/27).
- Stranger Things Murder Mystery Night is on October 24.
- Please come to the test run if you're available on October 18.
- Thinking of having a pumpkin carving contest or a lantern making night as well as a Bob Ross Fall Paint night (10/28), and a Scary Movie night which are all not finalized yet.

7.2 University and Academic Affairs Committee

- UAA At-Large Seat Vacancy
- Zoya Nari and Simran Dhadda have resigned as At-Large members due to scheduling conflicts.
- Helen Pahou has resigned from the Council seat due to scheduling conflict.
- VP University Relations will communicate with the nominating committee to fill these seats and has encouraged these people to continue being involved in working groups.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Embark Storage Room Allocation-MOTION BOD 2020-10-16:06

Corbett/Sude

Whereas Embark has expressed to us that they do not need the storage room labelled 1302 in the Student Union Building;

Be it resolved that the Board remove storage room 1302 from their space allocation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Last Board meeting we shifted Embark and CJSF's spaces.
- Upon further discussion with Embark, they realized that one of the storage rooms that was allocated to them is not needed.
- SFSS can use it for financial department and filing storage space. Also saves Embark money as they'll have a smaller square footage of rent.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1 Black & Indigenous Student Advocacy

- There have been a couple of situations occurring including SFU FNSA exclusion from Indigenous-related events and programs at SFU, and Our Decision Campaign.
- At-Large Representative (Balqees) and VP Student Services have been keeping up with various groups.
- President does not have many updates, and there has not been much movement.
- Some movement on the part of Student Services to want to hire an Equity, Diversity and Inclusion role in their department.
- This will be shared at BIPOC committee, and President has asked to see the Job Description, and also would like to have some students on the hiring committee.
- VP University Relations is working on a letter on behalf of the SFSS to the Administration to condemn them for consistently exploiting Indigenous student leadership from events and ceremonies.

- Has been in contact with FNSA and expressed this intent to them and received feedback on what to include in return.
- VP Student Services is in close connection with FNSA to support and amplify them.
- They were on the Peak cover page recently, and opinion pieces supporting them are also included.
- Hopefully there will be a campaign within the BIPOC committee working with FNSA centered on reconciliation efforts.
- VP Student Services has also released his own statement.
- It's very draining and shameful that students must take on this work, and disappointing to see there was no response to the letter.
- VP Student Services has received an email from the Office of Aboriginal Peoples and will help set up a meeting between them and FNSA.
- There was also a lack of community voices, like elders who are active at SFU, who were not included or involved and had no idea this was happening.
- SFU's lack of acknowledgement of harm is negatively impacting Indigenous students.
- Moving forward there is some progress as BIPOC committee has invited Joy Johnson and VP Students and International to join them at their next meeting.
- This will be open to all SFU undergrads, but keep in mind it's a space for BIPOC students.

10. PRESENTATION

- SFU Sustainability Office, SFU 2025 – Strategic Sustainability Plan
- Principles of the plan: Reconciliation & EDI
- Acknowledge that root cause of climate change is colonialism.
- Acknowledge that Black, Indigenous, Disabled, LBTQ+ and other marginalized people are disproportionately impacted.
- Acknowledge that solutions must center marginalized voices and perspectives and not replicate colonial and extractive practices and approaches.
- The living plan covers all three SFU campuses, and VP portfolios, and covers direct and indirect emissions.
- Three Goals
- Developing and applying innovations in climate change mitigation to all operational decisions.
- Living Lab Initiative will apply a research lens to the plan.
- Will increase visibility of climate action leaders at SFU and supporting new climate leaders.
- There are 16 targets that are absolute and were chosen based on their relevancy to climate action and alignment with external targets. Also taps into SFU's strengths and weaknesses.
- Implementation
- There is an Advisory Council that governs the plan who will oversee, review action plans and reports, and provide advice.
- Developmental Advisory Council made up of 11 students is underway and is developing the framework that the council will function under.
- There will also be specific working groups for each target that work to achieve the target by putting together plans, providing data and report to the committee on their progress.

- Highlight reports and annual reports to the community every year.
- Also developing a GHG Inventory.
- Communication and Engagement are crucial to its success and there's a website.
- Climate Action Student Collaborative (CASC) is a partnership with Embark.
- Help students who want to apply their climate knowledge to ongoing projects and learn project management skills to be ready post-graduation.
- More student support makes it easier to move projects along.
- SFSS can support by integrating sustainability and climate action into their plans, promoting SFU 2025 programs, and applying for advisory council positions.
- Discussion
- Composition of Advisory Group is intersectional and represents many equity-seeking groups as well as staff.
- Working group will develop action plan which will funnel into the Advisory Council who will vet that before it's forwarded to the senior leadership.
- Has the SFU Sustainability Office urged SFU to take a stance on TMX, CGL or declare a climate emergency?
- No, SFU Sustainability Office does not do advocacy work on pipelines as it's not in their mandate, but there's a target in the plan that focused on a community of practice which is where these advocacy items can come to the forefront.
- Kayla will follow up on this as well as take this back to the Office.
- For a lot of what SFSS sees as valuable in climate work, there is a lack of willingness from SFU to support this work.
- Kayla will bring the advocacy piece to someone else in the SFU Sustainability Office.
- Professors saying racist and eco-fascists things in REM classes or disconnect race from environmental studies. How is SFU planning to tackle this without BIPOC leadership externally or within SFU?
- SFU Sustainability Office is an administrative group, but there are connections to the Faculty of Environment and Kayla can bring this to the correct people.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.1 Next Board meeting October 30th at 1PM.

11.2 Annual General Meeting on October 26th, at 3:30PM

12. ADJOURNMENT

12.1 MOTION BOD 2020-10-16:07

Matthew/Corbett

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 2:14PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY